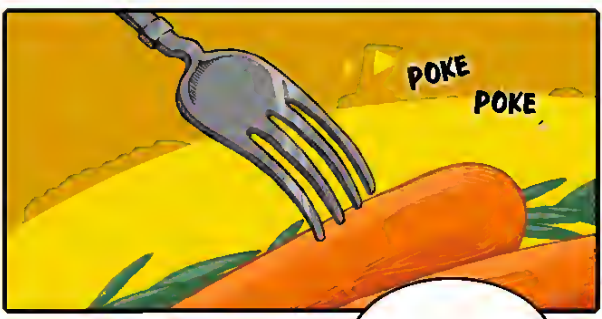


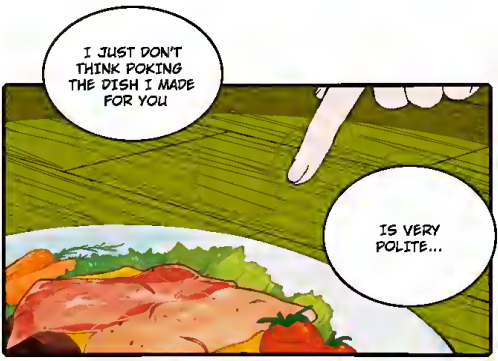
SIR...?

...

...HUH?

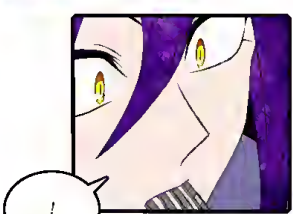
HMM?
NOTHING...

NIFLHEIM


I JUST DON'T THINK POKING THE DISH I MADE FOR YOU
IS VERY POLITE...

AH! RIGHT...
SORRY.
WAVE
IS THERE A PROBLEM?

...NO, NOT REALLY.
I WAS JUST THINKING OF SOMETHING...
YUM.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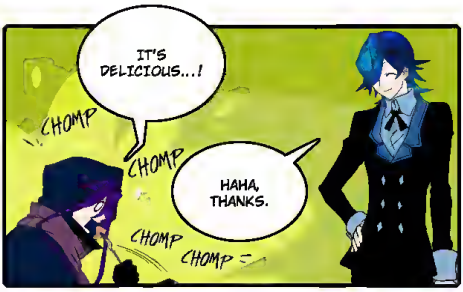

IT'S DELICIOUS...!
CHOMP
CHOMP
HAHA, THANKS.
CHOMP
CHOMP

MISTER,
YOU LOOK YOUNG. ARE YOU RUNNING THIS PLACE BY YOURSELF?
IT'S NOT JUST ME,
I'VE GOT AN ASSISTANT BUT SHE'S OFF TODAY.
I'M 24.
...TALKING ABOUT YOUNG, YOU LOOK THE SAME AGE AS ME...
HOW OLD ARE YOU SIR?
LEANS IN
354.
HUH, YOU'RE A GRANDPA...!
SORRY...?

I'M NOT THAT OLD.
THERE ARE LOADS OF PEOPLE WHO STILL CALL ME KID.
SPIN
S...SURE.

HEY MISTER,
IS THERE ANYONE STRONG AROUND HERE?
CHUK
SOMEONE STRONG...?

...UNFORTU-NATELY,
THIS IS THE BUSINESS DISTRICT.
YOU SHOULD TRY LOOKING IN THE VILLAGE OF WARRIORS...

I'VE BEEN THERE ALREADY.
THEY'RE ALL JOKES.
CHET

REALLY?
HMM...

AH...!

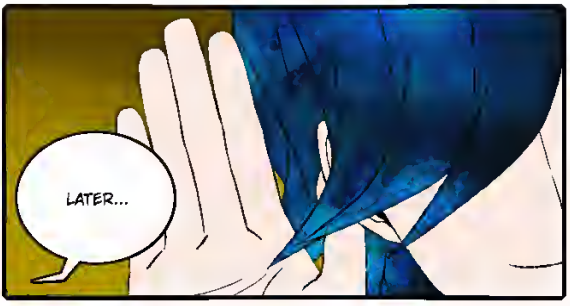
IF YOU WALK UP NORTH A BIT, THERE'S A FOREST.
I HEARD THERE'S AN INCREDIBLE SWORDSMAN AT THE GRAVEYARD
CREAK
KLANG
WHAT...!
A SWORDS-MAN!!
I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE
AND IT'S JUST A RUMOR SPREADING AROUND TOWN
BUT PEOPLE THERE ARE ALL SAYING
THAT HE'S A MONSTER...
ONE THING'S FOR SURE THOUGH, NO ONE TRIES TO GO UP NORTH.
OOOH~!!
GRIP

BUT WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME?
I WANT TO FIGHT.
...
PITIFUL. DO YOU HAVE NO BRAIN?
HAAA..
HUH...?
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT...
ANYWAY, THANKS MISTER! I GOTTA GIVE YOU A TIP!
OH~
THANK YOU SO MUCH!!
FUMBLE
FUMBLE..
YOU CAN KEEP THE
CHANGE...
Suk..
BRONZE COIN
OH..
...
...SIR?
HA HA
IS THAT ALL YOU HAVE?
HA HA
HA HA
HA
S..
SORRY! I PULLED OUT THE WRONG ONE...
FUMBLE
FUMBLE..

FUMBLE
!
AHAHAHA...
HAHA...
FUMBLE..
HUH....
HUH?
BRONZE COIN
BRONZE COIN
BRONZE...
N...
Jumpy..
NO WAY...!!
WAS THAT ...
THE LAST GOLD I GOT...!
SIR?
M...
MISTER, LIM...

CAN I...
PAY YOU BACK
LATER...
CLANG
?!
TURN
QUIET..
WH...
WHAT DID
HE JUST SAY...
PAY... BACK
LATER...?

...???
SORRY SIR?
AH, I SAID
LA...
KWAK
KLANG
TER...
SHAT
TERED
PARDON?
WHAT?
CHOK
LA?
SUU
LA...
SWEAT..
LA,
LA..


LATER...

HAAAA...

BLOCK THE ENTRANCE.
SFX: RUMBLE
SFX: SMACK
SFX: STARTLED
?!

SIR
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS PAYING BACK LATER IN THIS TOWN.
CLOSE

WHAT... SHOULD I DO THEN? I HAVE NO MONEY...
THAT'S ALRIGHT.
SUU...
YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO WORK FOR A DAY.

I'D LIKE TO,

BUT I'M VERY BUSY...

CAN YOU JUST LET ME GO THIS ONE TIME?

NOPE.

SFX: KU KU KU KU KU

..WHAT IS THIS?

GULP

HE MIGHT BE RUNNING THIS PLACE BUT

IS HE SOME KIND OF HIGH RANKING PERSON?

!

...OR

IS HE JUST REALLY STRONG..

BANG!

NOISY

UWAAA!!

?!

WHAT...!

S...

SAVE ME-!!

PANT

PANT

PUMBLE

!!!
HEY! PERFECT TIMING!
...! YOU'RE...!!!
...!
GIVE ME BACK MY COIN!!
WHAT?!?!
YOU CAN'T JUST TAKE IT BACK WHEN EVER YOU FEEL LIKE IT.
THIS ISN'T EVEN THE RIGHT TIME TO ASK THAT!!
?!
M...
MONSTERS!!
MONSTERS ARE IN TOWN...!!
...!!